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TO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE WASHDC AUGUST 30, 1973 FROM
TEHRAN IS REPEATED TO YOU: QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 6184

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, IR

SUBJ: LIAISON WITH IRANIAN ICCS DELEGATION

REF: STATE 171391

1. FULLY CONCUR IN DESIRABILITY OF ASSIGNING OFFICER IN EMBASSY
SAIGON TO ACT AS LIAISON WITH IRANIAN ICCS DELEGATION. ALTHOUGH
IRAN HAS PARTICIPATED IN MINOR WAY IN EARLIER PEACEKEEPING OPER-
ATIONS, THIS IS IRAN'S FIRST VENTURE INTO IMPORTANT ASSIGNMENT OF
THIS NATURE AND ITS DELEGATION WILL NEED ALL THE HELP IT CAN GET.
IN OUR VIEW PERSIAN LANGUAGE CAPABILITY IS NOT RPT NOT ESSENTIAL
AND IS LESS IMPORTANT THAN MATURITY, EXPERIENCE AND SOME KNOWLEDGE,
PREFERABLY RECENT, ABOUT IRAN. MFA CONFIRMS THAT KEY MEMBERS OF
IRANIAN DELEGATION WILL BE ENGLISH-SPEAKING.

2. RECOMMEND THAT OFFICER SELECTED FOR THIS TASK STOP BY IN
TEHRAN EN ROUTE SAIGON FOR EMBASSY BRIEFINGS AND IN ORDER MEET
KEY MFA OFFICERS BACKSTOPPING IRANIAN DELEGATION.

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